

REMARKS

There are 54 claims in the application. Claims 27-40 and 50-54 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-26 and 41-49 are pending. Claims 1-26 and 41-49 are subject to a provisional nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Applicants previously filed a response to this provisional rejection on October 15, 2008 which they believe was fully responsive. However, in an Office Communication mailed January 21, 2009, the Examiner stated that Applicants' submission was not fully responsive. Applicants hereby submit more thoroughly responsive remarks regarding this provisional rejection.

Double patenting

Claims 1-26 and 40-49 of the instant application stand provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-44 of copending Application No. 10/510,674. Claims 11, and 20-24 have been canceled. Claims 2-10, 12-19, 25, 26, and 40-49 depend on amended claim 1. Since neither the instant amended claim 1 nor the claims of copending Application No. 10/510,674 have been patented, the rejection is provisional. Applicants hereby note that claims 1-44 of copending Application No. 10/510,674 were canceled in an amendment mailed on January 21, 2009. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the double patenting rejection in this matter be withdrawn.

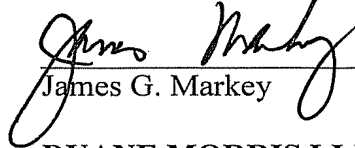
Conclusion

It is respectfully requested that the above remarks be entered into the file of the application. No fee is believed to be required for the filing of this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Duane Morris LLP Deposit Account No. 04-1679.

Applicants believe that these remarks place the instant application in condition for allowance and respectfully request and notice of allowance to be issued at this time. However, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (212) 692-1099 if a telephone call could help to resolve this, or any other issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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